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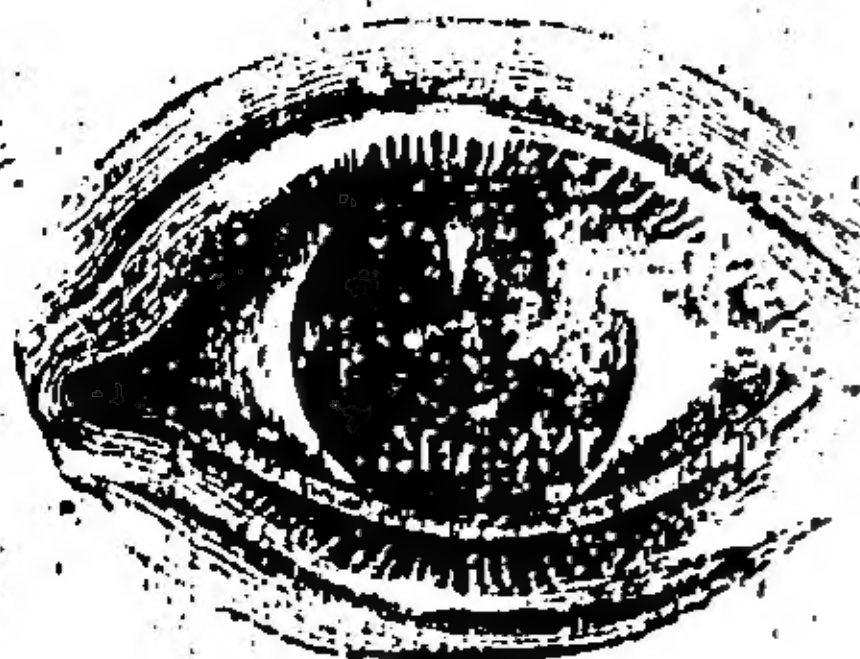
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CAUSE OF SLEEPING SICKNESS.

THE Tsetse-fly AS A DISEASE-CARRYING AGENT.

An interesting report has just been furnished by the Sleeping Sickness Commission in Uganda dealing with the result of recent observations and experiments which have been made in connection with the subject.

The memorandum states that in the "Deutsch-Ostafrikanische Rundschau" of February 6, 1909, there was an interesting paper on Sleeping Sickness, in which it was claimed that Dr. Kleine, of German East Africa, had made the discovery that the tsetse fly, Glossina palpalis, is capable of infecting a healthy animal as long as fifty-three days after it has fed on an animal suffering from a trypanosome disease. His experiments were carried out with Trypanosoma Brucei, the trypanosome which causes the tsetse-fly disease of the domestic animals, and Glossina palpalis, the tsetse-fly which is the infecting agent in sleeping sickness.

This means, the report says, that the parasite which causes the disease passes through some change in the fly before it is capable of giving rise to the disease. This, of course, occurs in malaria and yellow fever. The parasites which cause these two diseases must live and develop inside the mosquito for several days before they are able to infect a healthy person.

In 1903 the Sleeping Sickness Commission of the Royal Society came to a different conclusion, namely, that the carrying of infection from a sleeping Sickness patient to a healthy person by the tsetse fly was a mechanical act, and required no previous development of the parasite within the fly. The commission also held that the power of transferring the disease was lost by the fly forty-eight hours after it had fed on an affected person.

By a mechanical act is meant the carrying of the parasite from animal to animal by the fly much in the same way as a doctor's lancet conveys vaccine from arm to arm. If the conclusion arrived at by the Sleeping Sickness Commission is true, then it follows that a sleeping sickness area would become absolutely free from danger forty-eight hours after the removal of those of the population affected by sleeping sickness. If, on the other hand, Dr. Kleine's discovery is confirmed, then the tsetse flies in a sleeping sickness area will remain infective and a source of danger for a much longer time. The importance, then, of Dr. Kleine's work cannot be overrated.

DR. KLEINE'S EXPERIMENT.

The experiment which led him to the discovery was a perfectly simple one. Fifty tsetse flies were placed in a cage, and on three successive days were fed on animals, whose blood contained Trypanosoma Brucei. Then on each succeeding day the flies were allowed to feed on healthy animals, a new animal for each day. This was continued for seventeen days.

On the 18th to the 24th the flies fed on one animal, from the 25th to the 29th on another, on the 30th and 31st on a third, on 1st and 2nd on a fourth, and so on until the 53rd day. In this way 25 healthy animals were used.

The result was that none of the animals fed on by the flies up to the 17th day contracted the disease, whereas all those fed on from the 18th to the 53rd day did contract the disease. This means that some development of the parasite took place within the fly. During the time this change was going on the fly was not capable of infecting a healthy animal, but as soon as the development was effected the fly became infective.

Now, if this is true, Dr. Kleine has done a thing which many workers have failed to do during the last fifteen years, and he will deserve the gratitude of every scientific man working on this subject.

In 1905, when working at Nagasaki, in Zululand, Sir David Bruce, Army Medical Service, made many experiments on the transference of the disease by the tsetse fly. Again, in 1903, the Sleeping Sickness Commission made many on the carrying of sleeping sickness by "Glossina palpalis." Further, the Royal Society sent out Professor E. A. Minchin in 1905 for the sole purpose of thoroughly inquiring into this question. He worked for a year in Uganda on the subject, and came to the conclusion that the transference was mechanical, and that no cycle of development took place in the fly. Dutton and Todd also worked for years on the Gambia and Congo on the West Coast at the same thing, and got no result. It will, therefore, be very curious if all these workers have failed to see a thing which lay so close to them. But if it is so, then all the more honour to Dr. Kleine.

Since this account was written the Sleeping Sickness Commission, Uganda, has repeated Dr. Kleine's experiments with Trypanosoma gambiense, and Glossina palpalis; also with a trypanosome of the dimorphon type and the same tsetse flies, and found the flies infective after 16, 19, and 22 days.

Unless there is some unknown source of error, this confirms Dr. Kleine's observations.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 6th prox., or they will not be recognized.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
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Hongkong, 21st June, 1909.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 28th June, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 28th June, or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 28th June, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. DE CHAMPMORIN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 21st June 1909.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

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Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M., of the 24th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

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DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1909.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SEGOVIA."

Captain Sachs, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

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Hongkong, 22nd June, 1909.

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DEATHS.

May 25th, at Kowloon, Somerset, A. K. TRAVERS, late of the Hongkong Civil Service.
On June 17, 1909, at Portsmouth, England, ALFRED HADLEY, aged 76 years, formerly Foreman Boultermaker of Hongkong Dock Yard.

On June 19, 1909, at Shanghai, CHARLOTTE BERTHELE.
On Saturday, June 19, 1909, at Shanghai, ALFRED BERTHELE, aged 33, dearly beloved wife of Captain George William Eddy.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 1909.

JAPAN'S FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Through the courtesy of Mr. T. Funatsu, Consul for Japan in Hongkong, we have again to acknowledge the receipt of that most valuable year book entitled the "Financial and Economic Annual of Japan" which has now reached its ninth issue. Without passing any comments on the subject matter of this publication we will note some of the more salient features of its interesting contents. The Report is grouped under the heads of (a) Finance, (b) Agriculture, Industry and Commerce, (c) Foreign Trade, (d) Banking and Money Market, (e) Communications, and (f) Taiwan and Karafuto. Under the heading of Finance, it is interesting to note that the Total Ordinary Revenue for 1908-09 is Yen 470,354,36, which is more than 7,000,000,000 less than the revenue for 1908-09. This revenue made up of taxes, stamp receipts, receipts from public undertakings and State property, postal and telegraph services, forests, profits of the salt, camphor and tobacco monopolies, etc. Under the heading of Taxes come the land tax, income tax, business tax, tax on liquors, tax on soy, sugar excise, consumption tax on textile fabrics, tax on dealers in patent medicines, mining tax, tax on houses, travelling tax, succession tax, consumption tax on kerosene oil. It would be hard to see what other possible thing could be taxed in addition to these which are specified. Passing over the section relating to agriculture, industry and commerce we note that the total exports and imports of merchandise in 1908 amounted to Yen 814,503,000 (814,503,000), being a decrease of Yen 117,377,000 (11,737,700) on the total volume in the preceding year, which rose to Yen 931,880,000 (931,880,000), but when it is compared with the average for the five years 1901-7, which was Yen 775,350,000 (775,350,000), it shows an increase of Yen 39,153,000 (39,153,000). Upon taking the exports and imports separately, we find that the volume of exports was Yen 378,346,700 (378,346,700), a decrease of Yen 54,167,000 (54,167,000), on that for the preceding year, which stood at Yen 432,513,000 (432,513,000), but an increase of Yen 20,953,000 (20,953,000), on the average for the five years 1901-7, which was Yen 357,393,000 (357,393,000); while the volume of imports was Yen 436,270,000 (436,270,000), a decrease of Yen 58,210,000 (58,210,000) on the volume for the preceding year which was Yen 494,467,000 (494,467,000), but an increase of Yen 18,200,000 (18,200,000), on the average for the five years 1901-7, which was Yen 418,064,000 (418,064,000). The decrease in the export trade for 1908, compared with the preceding year, was mainly due to a diminution of the total value of exports in consequence of depreciation in prices at home, including those of the principal articles of export, such as raw silk and copper; moreover, not only did the trade with China become dull as a result of the depreciation of silver, but also the export of goods intended for sale in Europe and America fell into general stagnation. The import trade was brisk at the beginning of the year through a temporary increase in the import of machinery required for the expansion of existing enterprises or establishment of new ones; but later on, the dulness of the export trade with the Far East diminished the import of articles required as raw materials for the commodities for that trade. Moreover, the full crop of rice and the rise of the milling industry led to a reduction in the import of rice and wheat flour; and the general stagnation of trade at home also tended to a diminution in the volume of import trade. At the present time no subject is of greater interest in China than the Banking and Coinage System, and the following experience of Japan in clearing up the financial situation in Taiwan (Formosa) will be read with interest. Although there was, at the time of the cession of Taiwan, no organized system of monetary circulation in the island, yet on account of the necessities of transactions, no great inconvenience was felt in the circulation of capital; but with the development of industry after the cession was recognised the necessity of establishing banks as organs of monetary circulation; and in 1899-1900 the Bank of Taiwan, which may be called the central bank of the south, was established and was followed by the Taiwan Savings Bank and the Shoka Bank and the Kagi Bank. When Taiwan became a Japanese possession, there came into circulation, in addition to the already complicated currency in use from former times, the notes of the Bank of Japan, the silver yen, and subsidiary coins, so that the coinage system of the island fell for a while into the wildest confusion. When the gold standard was adopted in October, 1897, in Japan Proper, the Government, after careful consideration of the old usages of the island and its trade relations with the Chinese mainland, decided to allow for the time the circulation in Taiwan of silver coins calculated on gold basis and to establish when opportunity offered the same system as in Japan Proper; and in November of the same year the first official rate of exchange was published. Thus, the coinage system of Taiwan was that of gold monometallism, in which silver currency was used as substitute; but the frequent changes in the official price of the silver yen, added to the already very great variety of paper money in circulation, not only made the methods of calculation in business transactions extremely complicated, but also tended to foster a spirit of speculation; and the evil soon grew to such an extent that, in 1908, it was considered no longer possible to defer the reform of the coinage system. Consequently, as a temporary measure to meet the emergency, an Ordinance was promulgated in June, 1904, permitting the issue of gold notes by the Bank of Taiwan, which was carried into effect in the following months. In 1906 the bill for the revision of the Bank of Taiwan Law was brought before the Diet in its twenty-second session and approved; and the law was promulgated in February of the same year. And since the issue of gold notes, their circulation has been going very smoothly and has proved most convenient in all transactions. Moreover, the old custom that prevailed among the islanders of hoarding up their gold and silver has gradually disappeared and deposits in banks have increased. The withdrawal of silver notes from circulation has made marked progress with the increase in the circulation of gold notes; and the amount of silver notes still in circulation does not now exceed Yen 20,000 (20,000). Again, by the revision of the Coinage Law in April, 1906, and March, 1908, the weight of pure metal in the subsidiary silver coins has been altered. In October, 1908, an Ordinance was promulgated prohibiting the importation of silver coins from abroad or from Japan Proper, and at the same time abolishing the use of silver yen for paying taxes and duties. Up to April, 1908, the

Formosa Government exchanged the silver yen for gold, and in December, 1908, decided to prohibit the circulation of the silver notes that had remained in use as substitutes for the silver yen. There are also chapters devoted to Communications, Taiwan and Karafuto, and the volume concludes with an excellent summary of the financial and economic affairs of Korea and Kwantung Province, which will be noted in a future issue.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AMONG the new warships to be added to the German Navy during the present financial year is a river gunboat for China.

MR. J. Marshall writes to inform us that he was not bound over to keep the peace in the recent case for assault, at the Police Court.

FOR the first time in the history of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the shares of the Corporation were quoted at a thousand dollars to-day; that is the official quotation. The paid up value of each share is \$725.

THE report for presentation to the shareholders of the Messageries Maritimes at the meeting on 28th ult. shows a net profit on the working for 1908 of £ 6,199,000, against £ 7,643,000 for the preceding year. It is proposed to use the surplus in writing off for depreciation.

COMMANDER Filmaurice Acton has been appointed to the *Tamar*, receiving ship at Hongkong, for duty. Commander Acton has served in the fleet for a matter of 22 years, having joined in July, 1887, as a cadet. He was promoted Lieutenant in 1896 and commander in the June of last year.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon. Present—His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.G., Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Sir Henry Berkeley (Attorney-General), Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Mr. P. N. H. Jones, (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. F. J. Badesley, (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar-General), Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G., Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart, and Mr. C. Clementi (Clerk of Councils).

MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

PAPER. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Report on the Assessment for the year 1909-10.

FINANCE. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 7).

FINANCIAL MINUTES. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minute No. 28. It was agreed that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

STAMP ORDINANCE.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Stamp (Amendment) Ordinance, 1902.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. Agreed. The object of the Bill is to increase for purposes of revenue the duty in respect of receipts for payment of money, and to impose higher duties on the estate and effects of deceased persons.

PRISON ORDINANCE.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend The Prison Ordinance, 1897. He said:—The object of this Bill is to make it an offence for prison officers to supply certain articles of food to prisoners contrary to prison regulations.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. Bill read a second time. The Bill was then considered in Committee, read a third time and passed.

TRAMWAYS.

In moving the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Tramways Ordinance, 1883, the Attorney General said that the object of the Bill was to empower tramway officials to arrest persons who refused to pay their fares and whom the Company do not know. The Bill made provision for persons to be liable to a fine of \$100 on summary conviction.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. The Bill was read a second time, considered in Committee, read a third time and passed.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

The Attorney General moved that Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled an Ordinance to transfer to certain Officers of the Public Service certain duties at present performed by other Officers.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. The Bill having been considered in Committee was read a third time and passed.

PATENT ORDINANCE.

This Bill was not proceeded with.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Council adjourned till Thursday, the 1st prox.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the meeting of Council, the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was agreed to recommend that the following vote be adopted by the Council:—

CHARITABLE SERVICES.

A sum of two hundred dollars in aid of the vote charitable services, passages and relief of destitutes. This was all the business.

Opium Trade Doomed.

THIRD READING OF BILL PASSED.

SPEECH BY MR. MURRAY STEWART.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon, the Attorney General moved that Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Prepared Opium Ordinance 1891.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

After some verbal amendments, Mr. Murray Stewart said:—I move the following amendment to this clause—the inversion, after the word "forthwith," of these words—"Clause 10 shall not come into operation until it has been approved by a resolution of the Legislative Council subsequent to the passing of the Appropriation Bill for 1910." I beg the Government to consider whether this suggestion does not offer a reasonable means of compromise between the unofficial and official positions in this matter. The official position I take to be this. Until tenders for the new farm have been received it is impossible to ascertain the direct loss to revenue due to closing the divans in March next. Until this direct loss has thus been ascertained it is impossible to approach the Home Authorities with a request more narrowly to define the promised contribution towards it. To arrive at the exact sum of the direct loss it is necessary to get the new tenders in. To obtain these it is necessary to make the new conditions known. In order to make the new conditions known this Bill must be passed. That, as I understand it, is the official position as revealed in the debate on the second reading. The objection to it from the unofficial point of view is that this method of making known the new terms ignores the protest contained in the resolution unanimously supported a year ago by the unofficial members "against any steps being taken to carry out the order announced in Parliament on the 6th before this Council shall have been called upon to consider the methods by which it is proposed to readjust the burden of taxation but if the terms of the advertisement for the tender are fixed and definite I do not see that there would be any such risk. There would be no risk. There would be no risk to prospective farmers. The terms offered to them would be just the same as if the clause were made absolute now. And there is no real risk to Government, inasmuch as Government has absolute power and can exercise it on the occasion of the eventual resolution in Council with just as much effect as now, with a much better grace. If this Bill goes through in its present form it will be an irrevocable step taken before we have had an opportunity of considering these methods. But if its present form were to be altered in the manner I suggest, by the insertion of a clause making the contemplated step subject to a subsequent resolution in Council this objection would be removed. It may be urged against this that unless Section 2 is made absolute at once an element of uncertainty would enter into the bargain with the new farmer. That is the point, I invite some concession to the difficulty of our position—the unofficial position. The practical benefit of the concession which I suggest may not be apparent to those who lightly regard the position of the unofficial members of this Council. It will be best appreciated by those who imagine that we are intended to represent the wishes of the community. To display consideration towards the wishes of the community as represented by us in this particular case—and in the opium question we have the community behind us—would have a certain practical effect towards making the policy palatable. That was held to be a desirable object a year ago. Now that we are face to face with the material consequences, it is no less desirable. Indeed the community may be thought to have a claim to be treated with greater consideration now than then. It is hateful to be reduced by circumstances into haggling about money when appealed to on the grounds of "paramount duty to civilization." But the duty that lies nearest us in this Council is duty to this Colony and my conception on this occasion is to claim the right to discuss matters affecting our revenue before, and not only after, they have been settled over our heads. The Colony must have been relieved in a measure to learn from a telegram in the morning paper that the Opium Conference has had the effect of suggesting to the world the great difficulty of the opium question. The authority for this statement is the Secretary of State for the Colonies. The difficulty thus revealed to the world was seen and stated, long ago, in certain remote parts of the world—among others in this Colony. But previous to the receipt of this telegram there was some doubt as to how these difficulties were to be solved, or in any degree removed, by holding a conference which did not confer, a commission which did not inquire, a mere series of formal meetings whereat set speeches were read or recited by delegates, debarrated from discussing freely the merits of the question as a whole. It seemed as if an unnatural union between religious sentiment and political expediency were to leave in nothing but a list of resolutions—stillborn. Now, however, we are told that there is a larger and a happier issue out of the affair—a widening of the bounds of knowledge of the subject dealt with. This Colony will have reason to feel grateful if the results include a better appreciation of the difficulty and complexity of the question dealt with inasmuch as that our difficulties and perplexities, and our uncertainty as to the beneficial result of the drastic measures forced upon us, will be to some extent shared and sympathized with by the wider world. This acutely acclaimed prospect of a more sympathetic understanding of the matter encourages me to press for the small concession which will be made if Your Excellency can see your way to accepting my motion. I imagine that under the circumstances, it might escape discomfiture from home. We have been constantly assured of

consideration. Here is an opportunity of translating words into acts.

The Colonial Secretary said that he understood the object of Mr. Murray Stewart's address was to postpone the operation of Clause 10.

Mr. Murray Stewart—Certainly.

Considerable discussion then arose as to the receiving of tenders, during which, H.E. the Governor, said that unofficial members would have every opportunity of giving voice to their views when His Excellency would present the Estimates.

Mr. Murray Stewart said that the difference was that the Bill would in that case be operative, while otherwise it would remain to be operative.

Mr. Hewitt said that it was a very poor plea on the part of Government to ask the unofficial members to rush the Bill through at the last moment before the unofficials had had time to consider the matter, and he wished to enter his protest as the representative of a certain section of the community.

A division was then taken, when all the officials voted against the motion and all the unofficials in favour of the motion. The motion was thus lost by a majority of one.

His Excellency the Governor, on rising, said that when the Bill was read a second time, the unofficial members unanimously voted against it. He hoped that after Council had heard the few words he was about to speak an erroneous impression which seemed to have been generally shared by the unofficials would be altered. His Excellency urged that they required to know the amounts to be tendered before the next Estimates could be presented. The question had been discussed before in order to afford unofficial members an opportunity of expressing their views. It was now an urgent matter to pass the Bill as soon as possible. It seemed clear from the speeches of various unofficial members that they were not inclined to oppose the Bill. None of the clauses had been taken exception to at the second reading. What they objected to was Clause 10 of the Bill, which dealt with the question of the new tenders. The unofficials sought for a more precise wording of the promise of the Secretary of State. His Excellency hoped they would not oppose the third reading of the Bill. He was not aware that any difference existed between the officials and unofficials. All agreed that opium should be gradually suppressed and this point was particularly emphasized by Mr. Murray Stewart. It was urged that a more definite statement of the contribution promised by the Secretary of State should be made, but His Excellency thought he could safely say that not one business man present in the Council Chamber would undertake to promise a definite proportion of loss at any time. The losses, either direct or indirect, would be due not on the policy of the Government of Hongkong but to the policy adopted in India. The position as it now stood was that Council thought the Bill should be passed in order to call for tenders. His Excellency understood that the unofficial members wished to record a protest against the Home Government and not the local Government. He therefore hoped they would unanimously pass the third reading of the Bill in order to show there was no difference of opinion between them. (Applause.)

There was a short consultation between the unofficial members, at the conclusion of which, Hon. Mr. Hewitt said that when the unofficial members came to the Council Chamber that afternoon, they fully intended to vote against the third reading of the Bill. They were now, however, willing to forego their determination in deference to His Excellency's wishes, but he wished to place on record that they wished to emphasize their protest already entered at the second reading of the Bill.

The third reading of the Bill was then put to the meeting and was unanimously passed.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL.

[From Our Own Correspondents.]

Canton, 23rd June.

Yesterday being the Chinese Dragon Boat Festival, the Chinese people observed it as a public holiday in this city. In the morning, various descriptions of native craft, particularly flower-boats, numbering several hundred, moored in the water front at Honam in one line, leaving only a little passage for the dragon boats to pass through. The people on these craft and the river bank mingled together in large crowds to watch the proceedings and vociferously cheered the dragon boats. Fireworks were also let off during the progress of the race. The dragon boats are generally about a hundred feet in length and were each manned by from seventy to eighty men, of whom some carried all-embroidered umbrellas, flags, etc., sounded gongs and beat drums, and others were engaged in rowing the boats. The races were watched with interest by the natives who spent a holiday very merrily. Happily there was no disturbance on that day. Unfortunately, however, two men are reported to have fallen into the river and were drowned.

ALLEGED MURDER OF A JAPANESE.

On the 20th instant a telegram was received by the Viceroy from the officials of Weichow reporting that a certain Japanese travelling in the interior was foully done to death on the 15th instant by the villagers through some reason unknown. On the following day, the deputy of foreign affairs, Sir Wing Nio, and the expectant magistrate, Chan Pak Hui, proceeded to the place to investigate the case. The Japanese Consul at Canton accompanied by his secretary also left here on that day for Weichow on account of the case.

LIKIN COLLECTIONS.

The amount of Likin dues collected in Canton during the last few days of the 4th moon as reported to the Viceroy by the Likin officials was \$1,067,462 taels.

SUNNING RAILWAY.

The Viceroy is in receipt of a telegraphic despatch from the Ministry of Posts and Communications, in which the Sunning Railway Company has been granted the privilege of extending the Sunning Railway from Kung Yick Kau to as far as Kowloon instead of the city of Sun Yui as previously reported.

PRISONERS EXECUTED.

The three prisoners Oung Hing, Li Hui and Su Kwan Cheung, who were extradited to Canton from Hongkong some time ago, were on the 21st instant taken to the execution ground and beheaded.

MACAO BOUNDARY QUESTION.

ARRIVAL OF PORTUGUESE COMMISSIONER.

Late in the evening yesterday there arrived in the Colony by the English mail steamer *Assaye*, General Joachim Machado, special Commissioner appointed by the Portuguese Government to settle the vexed question of the delimitation of the boundary of Macao with the Chinese Commissioner, H.E. Ko Yi-hin; General Machado is accompanied by Senhor Demetrio Cissati, Portuguese Consul at Havre, formerly Consul for Portugal in Canton, and later in South Africa, during the stirring times of the Republic, at both of which places he discharged his onerous duties with distinction to himself and honour to his country. As secretary to General Machado, Capt. Norton is a member of the suite.

As soon as the signal went up at the flagstaff on the Peak, Senhor J. J. Leiria, Consul for Portugal, put out in a special launch which had been kindly put at his disposal by Mr. W. Wilson, chief manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. It was noticed that the launch was flying the Portuguese national colours. With Mr. Leiria was Capt. Ferreira Marques who had come over from Macao as representative of H.E. Senhor Roques, Governor of that Colony, to welcome the Portuguese Commissioner. Following in the wake of the Consular launch, was the Hongkong Government tender *Victoria* with Capt. P. H. M. Taylor, A.I.C., to H.E. Sir Frederick Lugard on board, the Portuguese Consul and Capt. Taylor boarded the *Assaye* as she entered Sulphur Channel. The Governor's aide-de-camp was the bearer of a letter from His Excellency to the Portuguese Commissioner welcoming His Excellency to Hongkong and extending an invitation to Government House.

As the *Assaye* made her way to the wharf at Kowloon, a large number of Portuguese residents gathered at Blake Pier after 5 p.m. to await the landing of the distinguished visitors who, however, disembarked at Kowloon. The report that General Machado landed in the uniform of a general is incorrect; as the Envoy and suite did not assume any official status upon disembarkation.

A suite of apartments had been engaged for the Portuguese gentlemen at the Hongkong Hotel where they will reside during their stay in Hongkong. In the evening Consul Leiria dined with the visitors. There was no official reception.

To-day was spent in sight-seeing under disadvantageous conditions of the inclemency of the weather. Owing to the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon, the usual ceremonial call on His Excellency the Governor has been deferred until to-morrow. Invitations have been issued to a dinner at Government House to-morrow to meet the Portuguese Commissioner.

Those invited are:—Colonel Darling, Hon. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., Mr. J. I. Braga, Comm. J. J. Leiria, Consul for Portugal, and Mrs. Leiria; Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson, Mrs. and the Misses Loureiro, Mr. and Mrs. Browne, Dr. and Mrs. J. Kell, Mr. B. Turner, Hon. Mr. A. W. and Mrs. Brewin, Dy. Insp. General and Mrs. Tait, Lt. Comdr. Bridgeman, Captain St. Clair, Captain and Miss Armstrong, Capt. Mrs. and Miss Sayer, Mr. J. H. de Kous, Consul-General for the Netherlands, Mr. C. E. Anton, Mr. R. D. Aikison, Rev. and Mrs. Hewitt, Mr. C. R. Lenmann, Mr. W. J. Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Mr. J. Patterson, Mr. A. G. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Haxton, Dr. Black, Mr. E. E. Potter, Mr. E. Owen and Mr. H. G. Calhoun.

At this stage nothing definite can be learnt of the programme of the conference between the representatives of Portugal and China, although it is safe to say that before the conference begins its sittings a visit will necessarily be paid to Macao by the Portuguese Commissioner when the subject will be debated with Governor Roques preparatory to the formal meeting with the Chinese Envoy. We understand that General Machado will proceed to Macao on Saturday by the gunboat *Patric* and will probably return early next week.

In the course of the day to-day, General Machado was the recipient of complimentary visits by the leading members of the Portuguese community in Hongkong.

We regret a correspondent's request for a full report of proceedings of a recent Police Court case cannot be complied with. The case was reported as fully as the space at our disposal on that day warranted it.

AMONGST other things forecasted to occur in the years to come is the garrisoning of the Singapore and Hongkong naval rendezvous by the forces of the Commonwealth of Australia and the establishment of a squadron to do duty in Far Eastern waters as well as in Antipodean waters. But these things are very much in the future.

His Majesty the King received in audience on 21st ult. His Excellency Lord Li Ching-fong (Viceroy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from China), who presented his new letter of Credence, and delivered to the King an Autograph Letter from His Majesty the Emperor of China. So states the Court Circular, though we presume the letter was from the Regent on behalf of the infant Emperor.

BANGALORE is the station to which the 2nd Battalion Cameron Highlanders will go when they leave Tientsin, North China, for India next relief season. The 2nd Camerons, being a comparatively new corps, were never previously in India. The battalion which succeeds them in North China, the 1st Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, is one of the smartest and most distinguished in the service. The bones of the Inniskillingers lie to four out of the five continents, and the honours on its regimental colours embrace a roll of glory hard to beat.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

TANG SHAO-YI.

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 23rd June.

It is proposed by the Grand Council, upon Tang Shao-yi's return to Peking, to send him to the Three Eastern Provinces to assist Viceroy Sik Liang in settling all pending questions with foreigners.

When that mission is completed, it is contemplated to assign Tang Shao-yi to an important post in Peking.

Later.

Prince Ching has recommended Tang Shao-yi for appointment as Acting Viceroy of Chihli.

CHINA'S THANKS.

SPECIAL ENVOY IN RUSSIA.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 23rd June.

Tai Hung-tze, the special Envoy to Russia, has telegraphed to the Grand Council advising that he would be received in audience by the Tsar on the 23rd inst.

MINING IN KWEICHOW.

A FRENCH CONCESSION.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 23rd June.

Some time ago a certain Frenchman obtained a certain mining concession in Kweichow Province.

The time fixed for the commencement of operations at the mines has now elapsed and the concessionaire has applied for an extension.

The Waiwupu has sent a special telegram to the Governor of Kweichow urging him to oppose the application and at the same time to advise the people to raise funds to work the mines on their own account.

VICEROY OF CHIHLI.

STILL INDISPOSED.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 23rd June.

H.E. Young Shih-chang, Viceroy of Chihli, has not made any improvement in his illness.

An Imperial decree has been issued making him a present of four pieces of ginseng root.

CHINA LOANS.

AMERICAN PARTICIPATION.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 23rd June.

Rumours were current in official circles that American capitalists were desirous of participating in Chinese loans.

A telegram has now been received from H.E. Wu Ting-fang, Chinese Minister to Washington, by the Grand Council to the effect that the rumour was unfounded.

CEMENT AND BRICK FACTORIES IN CANTON.

GREEN ISLAND CO.'S RIVAL.

Vice-Consul-General William B. Full, writing from Canton, gives an account of the establishment of extensive works by the Chinese Government for the manufacture of building supplies. The new cement works are located on an island opposite the city of Canton and on the south branch of the Pearl River. The institution, which is known as the Chinese Government Cement Works, will have a daily output of 500 barrels, each barrel weighing 375 pounds net. The cement-making machinery is of German manufacture, having been made at Magdeburg, and cost approximately \$13,219 gold. The buildings, which are all steel, cost \$216,200 gold. The brick works, which are to be operated in connection with the cement works, cost \$47,310, which includes all of the fire bricks used in the building of the kilns. The cement will be manufactured at a cost of about \$1.15 a barrel, and they expect to put in on the market at \$5 Mexican barrel (\$2.08 gold). This is 2.33 a barrel cheaper than the Green Island cement made in Hongkong, but if the competition becomes keen the Chinese can reduce their price considerably, as they expect to be able to manufacture the cement at a lower figure than it can be manufactured in Hongkong.

A Solicitor's Conduct.

MR. HASTINGS RECALLED.

COUNSEL'S ADDRESS.

There was a moderate attendance at the Supreme Court this morning when the case was resumed in which Mr. Clive Fletcher Dixon, solicitor, is called upon to show cause why he should not be disbarred from the Rolls. The attendance gradually increased until just before the tenth hour there was quite a number of interested spectators. Their Lordships Sir Francis Pigott and the Puisne Judge took their seats on the Bench shortly after 10.30 o'clock.

Mr. Dixon again went into the box. Mr. Calhoun—What sum did you receive besides your salary?—Interest in cash on the mortgage.

What other sums did you receive in 1908 in cash? During five or six months in 1908, I received sums amounting to from \$40 to \$160. Have you your banking account?—Yes. I have a certified account from 1st January, 1908, to the present time. \$5,000 was transferred from current account to deposit account on 26th June, 1905. The balance on current account on 31st December, 1907, was \$2,298.28.

Mr. Potter—As to the items of £100, £60 and £70, did you write home and ask for them?—Yes. You mean during 1905 and 1906, you required the money?—No. Did you have any idea of investment?—No. You had no object?—No particular object. Did you get the money from your father?—No, a relation.

A very near relation?—Yes. Do you object to telling me who this relation was?—No, my uncle. Then you had no object for the money, and yet you wrote asking for it?—I often get remittances from my uncle, sometimes without request.

You just now told me you wrote home asking for the money. Do you wish to go back on your word?—No. Mr. Kent, the cashier in Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, was called into the box and examined by the Chief Justice.

In answer to the Chief Justice, witness said he was in the habit of making entries in the diary without being told by Mr. Hastings or Mr. Dixon. He did not report that he had done so because he did not think it was necessary. He made an entry on the 8th of January. He got particulars of the entry partly from the rough cash book and partly from the interpreter, who gave him to understand that \$50 was the agreed costs with regard to a Police Court case.

Mr. Potter—Is it your duty when you see any costs paid on account to enter it in the portfolio?—Yes. In red ink?—Yes.

Did you want to do this in this instance?—Yes. What did you find?—I found no portfolio.

Then what did you do?—I consulted the diary but found no entry.

Isn't it the duty of a clerk to do this?—Yes. And because there was no entry in the diary of Mr. Dixon's amount there could be no portfolio?—Yes.

And you therefore entered it in the diary so that some other clerk would enter it in the portfolio?—Yes.

If Mr. Dixon had entered the item in the diary, would you not have found the portfolio?—Yes.

And then you would have had no reason to go to the diary at all?—No.

Is it fact, didn't Mr. Dixon hand you the \$30 personally?—Yes.

So you knew something about the matter?—Yes.

Mr. Calhoun—You just told us that you entered the amount on the 8th of January?—Yes.

That was the day on which the work was done?—Yes.

Are these portfolios written up, from the diary?—Yes.

Are the items entered on the same day the work is done?—Sometimes two days afterwards. Don't you make the entries in the portfolio from the rough cash book some days after you receive the money?—Sometimes the same day sometimes the next.

You told us you got these entries partly from the rough cash book and partly from the interpreter?—Yes.

You say you went to Tam and he gave you information about the \$50?—Yes.

Why didn't you enter this in the diary?—He said it might be more.

Isn't the object of the portfolio to make up the bill of costs?—Yes.

But if it is agreed costs, then the portfolio is not necessary?—It is necessary.

If it is necessary, why do you not always deliver the bill of costs?—Sometimes when there is a lump sum agreed upon with a Chinese client, there is no necessity to make up the bill of costs.

In that case, there is no necessity to enter it in the portfolio?—Yes.

If there is a rough cash book, what is the use of the portfolio?—To keep it for reference. Turn to the 21st February. Do you see a note with reference to a case of Mr. Dixon at the Police Court?—Yes, an assault case.

On what date were costs paid on that occasion?—I don't know.

Turn to the 25th February.—Costs \$25. Why didn't you make the entry on the 21st February in the portfolio?—When Mr. Dixon received the \$25, he made the entry himself and I did not think it necessary to make it again.

You just now said that the portfolio was a true record of the proceedings. Why didn't you enter it in the portfolio then?—I did not know Mr. Dixon attended a Police Court case on the 21st February.

Here Mr. Potter applied for the recall of Mr. Hastings in the box.

Mr. Hastings (in the box) said that Mr. Kent's duty is when he sees any entry in the

cash book of money paid on account of costs to enter it in the portfolio on the left-hand side in red ink. Thus by reference to the portfolio, you see at once a record of what was done in the case and the costs paid. These portfolios are finally kept in the office for years. So that in case they had to refer a year or two afterwards to what had been done in the case, it would at once be found there. In this case, Mr. Kent's duty was to enter the \$30 paid in the portfolio. When he turned to the portfolio for the item, he found none, and he was therefore quite justified in putting a note in Mr. Dixon's diary to that effect.

The Chief Justice said he failed to see how a clerk could interfere with a solicitor's personal diary. Mr. Hastings replied that the diary was not of a personal nature but that it belonged to the office.

Is it true that at the interview of the 26th March, Mr. Dixon admitted having taken presents from clients?—It is not true. There was no mention made of presents at that interview whatever.

Did you know that on four occasions Mr. Dixon accepted presents—\$100, \$100, \$50 and \$50?—I did not know anything about it until I heard him say so in the witness-box. In your opinion, do you consider this proper conduct?—No.

When you arrived in the Colony in October, 1908, what were your relations with Mr. Dixon?—Most friendly relations. Mr. Calhoun objected on the ground that the question was already raised in the examination-in-chief.

The Chief Justice over-ruled the objection. So the relations between you and Mr. Dixon were most friendly?—Right up to the 2nd February.

What do you say with regard to Mr. Dixon's statement that he had not been invited by you to your house?—I invited him to dinner with a number of other guests on Christmas Day. I also invited him on the 2nd January to a picnic in Deep Water Bay. The friendly relations had always been well maintained. I never had any dispute with him. I trusted him implicitly. Mr. Calhoun—As a matter of fact, he only dined there once?—Yes.

Mr. Hastings was at this stage excused. Mr. Calhoun, then, rose and was about to commence his address, when the Chief Justice suggested whether it would not be better for Mr. Potter to address the Court first.

Mr. Potter replied that he was placed in a peculiar position. He would be perfectly willing, but it had been suggested that he was guilty of perjury and criminal conspiracy—very serious charges.

Mr. Calhoun then continued with his address. He said that of the charges brought against Mr. Dixon, two were distinct charges of embezzlement. When a question arose before a tribunal whether a person has or has not committed a criminal offence, when the charge brought is one of a criminal nature, it is incumbent upon the tribunal to decide the case exactly as in a criminal case before a jury. The charge should be proved beyond reasonable doubt. The burden of proof was on Messrs. Hastings and Hastings. They must prove that in exactly the same way as in a criminal case, it must be clearly proved beyond all reasonable doubt that Mr. Dixon is guilty of the charges alleged against him. That was the reason why before the case came before the Court, he was strongly of opinion that it should have been tried by a jury, thus relieving their Lordships of a serious responsibility. Counsel referred to the man Wan Hi and said that he was for a considerable time under Police supervision. Wan Hi was considered to be of excellent character and it was rather strange that he should have been watched by the Police. One naturally wondered (Counsel did not know whether he was right in alluding to the matter) how it was that the Police were actively assisting Mr. John Hastings. Counsel cited authorities at length and went very closely into the various incidents connected with the case. He was still continuing his address when the Court rose for tea.

After the tea adjournment, Mr. Calhoun continued his address, which lasted for a considerable time. Further hearing was adjourned till to-morrow.

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

'Tis many a year since we took Hongkong, With ancient graves and fever-dank'd soil; The bones of our dead lie at Wong-Nei-Chong, Cut off all too soon from their active toil.

At Wong-Nei-Chong in that valley so green Lie sailor and soldier and merchant too; The examples, ah, me! of what might have been Cut off in prime from our longing view.

If death of the martyrs is Church's seed, And plead that in these days of China's need Their memory in honour we rightly keep.

For China is moving, and who shall say Her no in the struggle for higher aims, For guidance along the more modern way, A place in which path she now rightly claims?

"And yet it moves," the Celestial lump Is leavened by forces aye in control; It may not run swiftly—it may not jump, But change is coming to body and soul.

The classics are good—but 'tis modern stuff "New Learning" comes with its greater scope, The wider horizon and larger life.

Fill Chinese students with zest and hope, "Hongkong University"—strange the name To earliest dwellers' midst of "fragrant streams," Where pirates, robbers, Canton braves came, And fever disquieted nightly dreams.

So we shall see in the years to come Ah-fong taking his B.Sc. degree, The hood sit fitly on clever Ah-lum, And Ah-Sin be dubbed (Victoria) M.D.

May this change in the far-off island fair Work wonders for China and England, too! Our interests knit up—bring fit concord rare, A solid union may each year renew!

Best luck to good Mody—Sir F. Lugard, too, The first with hard dollars—the last with his scheme, May English subscriptions come well into view, "Be it said" appropriate counsel would seem!

SHANGHAI IN L. & C. G. H. P. R.

CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., LD.

CANTON PROPERTY SALE.

[From Our Canton Correspondent.]

Canton, 23rd June.

With reference to the reported re-purchase of the Canton Electric Light Works by Chinese officials from the China Light and Power Company, Ltd. of Hongkong, it is learnt that on the 20th inst. the Salt Commissioner, Ting Nai Young, the Taoist for the Development of Native Industries, Chang Mong Tsang, and Taoist Li visited the works to make an inspection of the buildings and machinery preparatory to the handing over of same by the vendors. So far it is not known when the agreement for sale and purchase will be signed and the transaction actually completed.

HONGKONG'S ASSESSMENT

FOR 1909-10.

The following report on the assessment of the Colony for the year 1909-1910 was laid on the table at the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon—

Assessor's Office, Hongkong, 7th June, 1909.

1. By order of His Excellency the Governor-in-Council a new valuation has been made of the whole Colony, with the exception of purely Chinese villages.

2. The City of Victoria.—The rateable value has decreased from \$8,987,125 to \$8,806,805, a reduction of \$180,320 or 2 per cent.

3. The Hill District.—The rateable value has decreased from \$163,265 to \$162,445, a reduction of \$810 or 0.51 per cent.

4. Shaukiwan.—The rateable value has increased from \$77,197 to \$83,224, an addition of \$6,027 or 7.81 per cent.

5. Hongkong Villages.—The rateable value has increased from \$22,599 to \$24,599, an addition of \$2,000 or 8.84 per cent.

6. Kowloon Point.—The rateable value has increased from \$46,460 to \$50,205, an addition of \$3,745 or 8.07 per cent.

7. Yau-mai.—The rateable value has increased from \$33,145 to \$36,710, an addition of \$3,565 or 10.75 per cent.

8. Hui-chong.—The rateable value has increased from \$30,715 to \$32,720, an addition of \$2,005 or 6.53 per cent.

9. Mongkok.—The rateable value has decreased from \$144,565 to \$139,490, a reduction of \$5,075 or 3.51 per cent.

10. New Kowloon.—The rateable value has increased from \$63,315 to \$63,858, an addition of \$543 or 0.86 per cent.

11. Kowloon Villages.—The rateable value has increased from \$350,357 to \$363,135, an addition of \$12,778 or 3.65 per cent.

12. The Whole Colony.—The rateable value has decreased from \$10,816,753 to \$10,750,902, a slight reduction of \$65,851 or 0.61 per cent.

13. Interim Valuations.—Between the 1st July, 1908, and the 1st June, 1909, 243 interim valuations were made as follows:—

City of Victoria. Rest of Colony.

No. Rateable Value. No. Rateable Value.

New and rebuilt tenements: 56 \$7,190 67 \$14,920

Tenements—structurally altered: 24 59,975 30 8,650

Replacing assessments: 66,380 6,095 72,515 3,355

Assessments cancelled, tenements: 60,533 137,065

Total: 122,915 122,915 104,137 104,137

No. and Increase: 99 33,755 244 104,137

14. Vacant Tenements.—The number of reported vacant tenements in the City of Victoria inspected under Section 35 of the Rating Ordinance averaged about 150 monthly as compared with 160 last year.

15. The following tabular statement gives a comparison of the Valuation for 1908-1909 and 1909-1910:—

District. Valuation 1908-1909. Valuation 1909-1910. Increase or Decrease. Percentage Increase or Decrease.

The City of Victoria 8,987,125 8,806,805 180,320 2.00

Hill District 163,265 162,445 820 0.51

Kowloon Point 46,460 50,205 3,745 8.07

Kowloon Villages 22,599 24,599 2,000 8.84

Shaukiwan 77,197 83,224 6,027 7.81

Yau-mai 33,145 36,710 3,565 10.75

Hui-chong 30,715 32,720 2,005 6.53

Mongkok 144,565 139,490 5,075 3.51

New Kowloon 63,315 63,858 543 0.86

Kowloon Villages 350,357 363,135 12,778 3.65

Total 10,816,753 10,750,902 65,851 0.61

Deduct Increase: 114,459

Total Decrease: 65,851 0.60

16. Staff.—Mr. Chan Kwok On and Mr. Tai Tin Shag have discharged their duties to my satisfaction.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN, Assessor.

10th June, 1909.

Comparative statement showing the rateable value of the Colony of Hongkong in each year from 1900-01 to 1909-1910 inclusive.

Year. Rateable Value. Increase or Decrease as compared with previous year. Percentage Increase or Decrease as compared with previous year.

1900-01 5,856,331 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1901-02 5,942,888 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1902-03 6,029,445 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1903-04 6,115,999 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1904-05 6,202,552 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1905-06 6,289,105 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1906-07 6,375,658 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1907-08 6,462,211 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1908-09 6,548,764 86,557 1.48 Increase.

1909-10 10,750,902 65,851 0.60 Decrease.

Total 65,851 0.60 Decrease.

A TELEGRAM from Hongkong announces that Messrs. John Swire and Sons have promised a contribution of £30,000 towards the Hongkong University Endowment Fund, the Taikoo Sugar Refining Company £5,000, and the Ocean Steamship Company £3,000 on condition that the whole amount required is subscribed. The contributions, totalling £40,000 in all, are indeed handsome and worthy of the best traditions attaching to the Taikoo Hong.

They will go far towards assailing the accomplishment of raising the full sum of £100,000 needed for the endowment of the University.

L. & C. G. H. P. R.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ASSAYE."

Captain O. Jones, R.M.N., will leave for SHANGHAI TO-MORROW, the 25th June, 1909, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1909. [4]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras and Mauritius.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APOAR."

Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOUN & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1909. [504]

AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "WELSH PRINCE," FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above

named vessel are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th June, at 2.30 P.M.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th June, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 5th July, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. ARNHOLD KARBURG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1909. [505]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, COLOMBO and SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship.

"AWA MARU."

Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, TO DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 1st July will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co

Shipping—Steamers.

CANADIAN PACIFIC
RAILWAY CO.'S

Royal Mail Steamship Line.

"EMPRESS LINE."

Between China, Japan and Europe via Canada and the United States, calling at Hongkong, Shanghai, Nagasaki (through the Inland Sea of Japan), Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver B.C.

The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule Service of
12 DAYS YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER. 12 DAYS HONGKONG TO VANCOUVER.
SAVING 5 TO 7 DAYS' OCEAN TRAVEL.

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong and Quebec.
(Subject to alteration).
Connecting with Royal Mail Atlantic Steamers.

From Hongkong,	From Quebec.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	"EMPRESS OF IRELAND"
SATURDAY, JULY 3RD.	FRIDAY, JULY 30TH.
"MONTEAGLE"	
WEDNESDAY, JULY 14TH.	
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	ALLAN LINE
SATURDAY, JULY 24TH.	FRIDAY, AUG. 20TH.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	"EMPRESS OF BRITAIN"
SATURDAY, AUG. 14TH.	FRIDAY, SEPT. 10TH.
"Empress" Steamers will depart from Hongkong at 6 p.m.	
"Monteagle"	

Each Trans-Pacific "Empress" connects a Vancouver with a Special Mail Express Train and at Quebec with Atlantic Mail Steamer as shown above. The "Empress of Britain" and "Empress of Ireland" are magnificent vessels of 14,500 tons, Speed 23 Knots, and are regarded as second to none on the Atlantic.

Passengers booked to all the principal ports in Canada, the United States and Europe, also around the World.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, 1st Class, via Canadian Atlantic Port or New York (including Meals and Berth in Sleeping Car while crossing the American Continent by Canadian Pacific direct line). Passengers for Europe have the option of going forward by any Trans-Atlantic Line either from Canadian Ports or from New York or Boston.

SPECIAL THROUGH RATES (First Class only) are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services of China and Japan Governments.

Through Passengers are allowed Stop over privileges at the various points of interest en route.

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE" carries only "O to Class" of Saloon Passengers (formed intermediate) the accommodation and commissariat using excellent in every way.

HONGKONG TO LONDON. Intermediate on Steamers and 1st Class on Canadian and American Railways.

Via Canadian Atlantic Port

Via New York

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, & Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to—
W. UKADL, General Manager, 11th Ave.,
Corner Pedder Street and Praya (opposite Blake Pier).

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

[PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.]

For	Steamship	On
MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, 25th June 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	KWONGSANG	SUNDAY, 27th June, Daylight
TIENSIN VIA SWATOW, WEI	CHEONGSANG	SUNDAY, 27th June, Daylight
HAIRAI & CHEFOO	FAUSANG	SUNDAY, 27th June, Daylight
KOBE & MOJI	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, 2nd July, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE	NAMSANG	SATURDAY, 3rd July, Noon
& MOJI		
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOOKSANG	TUESDAY, 6th July, 3 P.M.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN (OCCUPYING 24 DAYS).

The steamers *Kwang*, *Namsang* and *Fooksang* leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama returning to Hongkong via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay of 5 to 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

A daily qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chaochow, Tientsin & Newchwang.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LD.,
General Managers.

Telephone No. 61.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1909.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAN
SHANGHAI	"CHEMAN"	27th June, Daylight
WEIHAIRAI, CHEFOO & TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	28th " 4 P.M.
MAHARAJA	"TAKING"	29th " 3 P.M.
SAMARANG & SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	29th " 4 P.M.
CEBU & ILOILO	"SUANGIANG"	30th " "
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	1st July, "
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	4th " Daylight
MANILA	"LEAN"	6th " 3 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA and USUAL	"TAIYUAT"	19th " 4 P.M.

Reduced Saloon Fares, single and return, to Manila and Australian Ports.

DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUL".

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in Staterooms. A daily qualified Doctor is carried. REDUCED FARES. Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

MANILA TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS and TIENSIN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in Staterooms and Dining Saloons.

SHANGHAI LINE.

FAST SCHEDULE TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS (*Anhui*, *Chonan*, *Linan*, *Chinhu*) with excellent passenger accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms and Dining Saloons, leave Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

N.B.—These steamers land passengers in Shanghai avoiding the inconvenience of transshipment at Woosung.

Fares including wines:—\$45 single, \$80 return.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Telephone No. 36.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1909.

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HONGKONG—MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers

between Hongkong and Manila—Saloon staterooms—Electric

Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewards on board

—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of

Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA	SATURDAY, 26th June, at Noon
SAFIRE	2540	R. Rodger	"	SATURDAY, 3rd July, at Noon

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.

General Managers.

Shipping—Steamers.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO, Etc., via MOJI, KOBE,
YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO and
SALINA CRUZ (Mexico).

S.S. MANSHU MARU	5,000 tons gross	Sail 1st July, 1909, at Noon.
S.S. AMERICA MARU	6,000 "	30th Aug., 1909, at Noon.
S.S. HONGKONG MARU	6,000 "	30th Oct., 1909, at Noon.
S.S. MANSHU MARU	5,000 "	30th Dec., 1909, at Noon.

For particulars, apply to

K. MATSUDA,

Manager.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA, York Building.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1909.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration.)

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Connecting at TACOMA with

THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE AND PUGET SOUND RAILWAY,

AND

THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY.

(The only direct train service, without transshipment, also shortest and fastest route from the Pacific Coast to CHICAGO). Tak on Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Jvarland Common Points in the U.S.A. and Canada, also to the principal Ports in Mexico, Central and South America.

For TACOMA via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, SHIMIDZU AND YOKO-

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Shipping—Steamer.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM
FOR
STRAITS, OCEAN, AUSTRALIA, INDIA
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PORTS, FLYMOUTH AND
LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERI-
CAN and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship.

"DEVANHA."

Captain W. Hayward, R.M.R., carrying His
Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this
for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 26th
June, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo
for the above Ports in connection with the
Company's S.S. *China*, 8,000 tons, from Colombo,
Passengers' accommodation in which vessel
is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement)
will be transhipped at Colombo into the
Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles
and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will
be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S.
Himalaya, due in London on 8th August, 1909.

Parcels will be received at this Office until
4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents
and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th June, 1909.

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"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS,

LIMITED.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND

ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"CARDIGANSHIRE."

Captain W. O. Tyers, will be despatched as
above on or about 11th July.

For Freight, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1909.

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"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS,

LIMITED.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"SEGURA."

Captain Hayes, will be despatched as above
on or about 20th July.

The attention of passengers is drawn to the
excellent accommodation provided by this
vessel at cheap rates. She is specially adapted
for service in the tropics, being fitted with
refrigerating machinery, and electric fans in
staterooms. Doctor and Stewards are
carried. Fare to London £35.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1909.

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CHARGEURS REUNIS.

(FRENCH STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

REGULAR FREIGHT SERVICE

TO

SAN FRANCISCO, MEXICO, PERU,

CHILE, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL.

The steamers of the CHARGEURS REUNIS

Co. proceed from YOKOHAMA DIRECT
to SAN FRANCISCO, without any call en
route thus affording a fast regular cargo-
boat service from China and Japan to San
Francisco.

THE Steamship

"AMIRAL FOURICHON."

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO
and other above destinations on or about the
20th July, 1909.

For further particulars apply to
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,
Agents at Hongkong.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1909.

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STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

"KWONG TUNG"

"KWONG SAI"

Leaves Hongkong for Canton at 9 every

evening, (Saturday excepted).

Leaves Canton for Hongkong at 5.30 every

evening, (Sunday excepted).

These fine Steamers, owned by Chinese
capitalists and Officer by Europeans, are
second to none on the River. Excellent
accommodation for eighteen First Class Pas-
sengers. The Steamers are lit throughout by
Electricity. Electric Fans in State Rooms.

Passage Fare—Single Journey,

Meals

The Company's Wharf is situated in front

of the New Western Market, opposite the old

Harbour Office.

YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,

and

SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD.,

No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1909.

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Shipping—Steamers.

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all
Overland Common Points in the United
States of America, and Canada, and also
for the principal ports in Mexico, and
Central and South America.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

FOR

VICTORIA, B.C., SEATTLE & TACOMA,

VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer Tons Captain Sailing Date

Oceano 4,657 F. W. Davies 1st July

Aymara 4,353 J. Mathew 29th July

Aymara 4,353 J. Boyd 26th Aug.

Aymara 4,353 S. Skelton 3rd Sept.

* These steamers are specially fitted for the

carriage of Asiatic Steamer passengers.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED

STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.

General Agents.

Queen's Building,

Hongkong, 18th June, 1909.

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HONGKONG—BOSTON—NEW

YORK.

AMERICAN-ASIATIC STEAMSHIP

COMPANY.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA

PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast.)

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COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London-Bank T.T.	1/9 1/2
Do. demand	1/9 5/16
Do. 4 months' sight	1/9 7/16
France-Bank T.T.	2/3 1/2
Germany-Bank T.T.	1/8 1/2
India T.T.	1/3 1/2
Do. demand	1/3 1/2
Shanghai-Bank T.T.	7/4 1/2
Do. demand	7/4 1/2
Yokohama-Bank T.T.	7/4 1/2
Do. demand	7/4 1/2

Buying.

4 months' sight L/C	1/9 1/2
6 months' sight L/C	1/9 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	4 1/2
4 months' sight do.	4 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne	1/9 1/2
4 months' sight France	2/3 1/2
6 months' sight do.	2/3 1/2
4 months' sight Germany	1/8 1/2
Bar Silver	24 1/2
Bank of England rate	24 1/2
Sovereign	11 1/2

SHIPPING AND MAILS

MAILS DUE.

German (Prinz Sigismund) 15th inst.	
Indian (Namsang) 20th inst.	
German (Klats) 30th inst.	
Indian (Lansang) 5th prox.	
Australian (Tatung) 14th prox.	

The C. N. Co.'s s.s. *Yochow* left Moji on 23rd inst., and is due here on 27th inst.

The C. N. Co.'s s.s. *Chinkwa* left Shanghai on 24th inst., and is due here on 27th inst.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Namsang* from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on 23rd inst.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Lansang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 19th inst., and may be expected here on 5th prox.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 23rd at 6.55 p.m.—Signals lowered.

On the 24th at 11.55 a.m.—The depression, which moved into the North part of the Gulf of Tonking last evening, is this morning approaching the neighbourhood of Haiphong.

The barometer has fallen considerably to moderately in Hongkong and over Formosa and the Loochoos; and fallen slightly over the E. coast of China and the Sea of Japan.

Pressure remains high over the Pacific to the E. of Japan. It is relatively low between the E. coast of China and the N.W. part of the Sea of Japan.

Moderate S.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and strong but decreasing S.E. winds between Hongkong and Hainan.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 3.8 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, S.E. wind, strong to moderate; weather gradually improving.

2.—Formosa Channel, S.E. moderate.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

Shipping.

Arrivals.	
Assaye, Br. s.s., 4,358, O. Jones, R.M.R., 23rd June, from Bombay 9th June, and Singapore 10th, Mails and Gen.—J. & S. N. Co.	
Kohchiang, Ger. s.s., 1,292, C. Roselley, 23rd June, from Bangkok 15th June, Rice.—B. & S. Co.	
Empress of China, Br. s.s., 3,046, W. Davidson, R.M.R., 24th June, from Vancouver, B.C. 3rd June, and Shanghai 21st, Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.	
Nippon, Jap. s.s., 4,016, C. A. Paulsen, 23rd June, from Yokohama via Kobe and Moji 19th June, Gen.—M. & Co.	
Awa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,012, A. Keith, 24th June, from London 15th May, and Singapore 18th June, Gen.—N. Y. K.	
Changchow, Br. s.s., 1,202, A. Partridge, 24th June, from Ching-wang-tao 18th June, Coal.—B. & S.	
Hong Ben, Br. s.s., 2,056, J. Home, 24th June, from Penang Singapore 17th June, Gen.—Leo Tek Sing.	
Chusang, Br. s.s., 1,418, H. E. Siewer, 24th June, from Canton 23rd June, Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Yingchow, Br. s.s., 1,216, W. Fraser, 24th June, from Canton 23rd June, Gen.—B. & S.	
Welsh Prince, Br. s.s., 3,200, Shipberg, 24th June, from New York 8th May, Gen.—A. K. Co.	
Itakushima Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,808, S. Kori, 24th June, from Moji 17th June, Coal.—M. B. K.	

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Hainan, for Swatow.	
Chungking, for Hongkong.	
Chungking, for Shanghai.	
Chungking, for Canton.	
Pittsburgh, for Bangkok.	
Assaye, for Shanghai.	
Yingchow, for Shanghai.	
Awa Maru, for Penang.	
Triumph, for Penang.	

Departures.

June 24.

Empire, for Australian Ports.

Sarku Maru, for Swatow.

Garmara, for Wamatau.

Jokawa, for Haiphong.

Signal, for Haiphong.

Triumph, for Penang.

Hainan, for Swatow.

Chusan, for Canton.

Chungking, for Shanghai.

Pittsburgh, for Bangkok.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Awa Maru* from London—Messrs. C. Humphreys, Leong Man Soa, Long Shong Koi, R. A. Ramsay, L. A. Goldsmith, Chong, Shob Lam and F. Kodera.

Per *Empress of China*, from Vancouver—Mr. Edmund Hayer, 73 Chinese, and 1 Hindu. From Yokohama—Mr. C. D. Mahabunivalla. From Nagasaki—Mrs. J. Middleton. From Shanghai—Messrs. O'Brien and Tong Ko Hong and servant.

Per *Assaye*, for Hongkong from London—Miss Stephens, and Mr. F. R. Pelt. From

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
P. Sigismund	Manila	M. & Co.	June 25
Taming	Manila	B. & S.	June 25
Chinkwa	Shanghai	B. & S.	June 27
Yochow	Moji	R. & S.	June 27
Kongong	Singapore	M. & Co.	June 28
Hirano Maru	Kobe	N. Y. K.	June 28
Namsang	Singapore	J. M. & Co.	June 29
Takasaki Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	June 29
Nippon Maru	Japan	T. K. K.	June 30
Kleis	Colombo	M. & Co.	June 30
Totomi Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	July 3
Kunang	Calcutta	M. & Co.	July 3
Lansang	Calcutta	J. M. & Co.	July 5
Monteagle	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	July 8
Taiyuan	Sydney	B. & S.	July 14

DOCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.	
Lekia	at Kowloon Dock.
Hosam	"
Geoglegie	"
Argus	"
Korea	"
Namania	at Cosmopolitan

TAIKOO DOCKS.

Maple Leaf	at Quarry Bay Docks.
Anhui	"
Hangchow	"

Ships Passed The Canal.

21st May—Ernest Simon, Malta, Hyson, Miskina, Maru, Pak Ling, Sogavia, 25th May—Yorck Palma, Demerol, 28th May—Ambria, Awa Maru, Armand Kanagawa Maru, Heike, Glamorgan, Bulow, Orisla, Konang, St. Patrick, St. John, June—Glenear, Cyrus, Dacca Castle, Indrapati, Tyndal, 6th June—Tungchow, Indrapati, Fremont, Sordana, Slavova, Cornaro, Tonkin, Mackao, Nubla, Stela, (Auk), 8th June—Klats, Benlarie, Yeddo, 11th June—Derflinger, Jason, Tamba Maru, 15th June—Bendoran, Andalusi, Caledonia, Hakala Maru, 18th June—Syria, 22nd June—Bencuch, Oceanic, Monmouth, Carmichael, Kintuck, Stentor, Longship, Peking.	
Arrivals at Home—21st May—Goben, Vorwarts, Suruga, Hlats Maru, 25th May—Albana, Fintihira, Ilyria, Banca, Sumatra, 28th May—Persia, Cathay, Glenroy, Ghana, Ernest Simon, 1st June—Hyson, 4th June—Bulow, Kanagawa Maru, 8th June—Katsuo, 10th June—Palma, 11th June—Norman Prince, Tonkin, 15th June—Transquar, Mackao, Ambria, Tyden, 18th June—Nubla, 22nd June—Hakala Maru, Derflinger.	

C'IPA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Vladivostok	Bar. Hm.	Wind	Dir.
Nemuro	29.73	59	SE
Hakodate	29.93	—	—
Tokio	29.99	—	—
Koshi	29.95	—	—
Nagasaki	29.84	—	—
Kagoshima	29.88	—	—
Oshima	29.89	—	—
Yokohama	29.89	—	—
Bonin Is.	29.97	—	—
Cheloo	29.82	73	SE
Welhaiwei	29.82	71	SE
Hankow	29.74	75	SE
Kiukiang	29.78	74	SE
Shanghai	29.82	73	SE
Gatash	29.82	71	SE
Sharp Peak	29.83	71	SE
Swatow	29.81	78	SE
Taihou	29.81	78	SE
Falchu	29.81	—	—
Taiwan	29.79	—	—
Koshu	29.81	—	—
Pandora	29.78	—	—
Canton	29.66	82	SE
Hongkong	29.67	77	SE
Victoria Peak	—	—	—
Gap Rock	—	—	—
Macao	29.68	80	SE
Wuchow	29.66	82	SE
Holow	—	—	—
Pakhoi	29.63	88	SE
Patilla	29.63	81	SE
Touran	29.77	81	SE
O. St. James	29.82	79	SE
Manila	29.84	82	SE
Legaspi	29.84	73	SE
Bacolod	29.81	—	—
Iloilo	29.81	—	—
Cebu	29.85	86	SE
Manila	29.85	85	SE

June 24th 1909, a.m.

Vladivostok	29.77	57	SE
Nemuro	29.77	57	SE
Hakodate	29.93	—	—
F. Kio	29.95	—	—
Koshi	29.88	—	—
Nagasaki	29.88	—	—
Kagoshima	29.92	—	—
Oshima	29.92	—	—
Naha	29.97	—	—
Hongkong	29.91	—	—
Bonin Is.	29.94	—	—
Cheloo	29.83	66	SE
Welhaiwei	29.83	66	SE
Hankow	29.74	75	SE
Kiukiang	29.78	74	SE
Shanghai	29.78	73	SE
Gatash	29.78	71	SE
Sharp Peak	29.81	71	SE
Swatow	29.81	78	SE
Taihou	29.81	78	SE
Falchu	29.81	—	—
Taiwan	29.79	—	—
Koshu	29.81	—	—
Pandora	29.78	—	—
Canton	29.66	82	SE
Hongkong	29.67	77	SE
Victoria Peak	—	—	—
Gap Rock	—	—	—
Macao	29.68	80	SE
Wuchow	29.66	82	SE
Holow	—	—	—
Pakhoi	29.63	88	SE
Patilla	29.63	81	SE
Touran	29.77	81	SE
O. St. James	29.82	79	SE
Manila	29.84	82	SE
Legaspi	29.84	73	SE
Bacolod	29.81	—	—
Iloilo	29.81	—	—
Cebu	29.85	86	SE
Manila	29.85	85	SE

June 25th 1909, a.m.

Vladivostok	29.77	57	SE
Nemuro	29.77	57	SE
Hakodate	29.93	—	—
F. Kio	29.95	—	—
Koshi	29.88	—	—
Nagasaki	29.88	—	—
Kagoshima	29.92	—	—
Oshima	29.92	—	—
Naha	29.97	—	—
Hongkong	29.91	—	—
Bonin Is.	29.94	—	—
Cheloo	29.83	66	SE
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Swatow	29.81	78	SE
Taihou	29.81	78	SE
Falchu	29.81	—	—
Taiwan	29.79	—	—
Koshu	29.81	—	—
Pandora	29.78	—	—
Canton	29.66	82	SE
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SAILING VESSELS.

Samat, Ger. schooner, 520, O. Nance, 22nd May, New Guinea 30th April, Gen.—M. & Co.	
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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 24th to 30th June, 1909.

HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
Time	Height	Time	Height
Thurs. 24	No inferior	Thurs. 24	No inferior
Fri. 25	5.15	Fri. 25	5.15
Sat. 26	5.15	Sat. 26	5.15
Sun. 27	5.15	Sun. 27	5.15
Mon. 28	5.15	Mon. 28	5.15
Tues. 29	5.15	Tues. 29	5.15
Wed. 30	5.15	Wed. 30	5.15

Post Office.

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dally and Siberia.

30th June at 8.30 P.M.
3rd July at 8.30 P.M.

A Mail will close for:—

Hongkong—Per *Chungking*, 25th June, 8 A.M.
 Haiphong—Per *Bellerophon*, 25th June, 1 P.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Haitan*, 25th June, 1 P.M.
 Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 25th June, 1.15 P.M.
 Manila—Per *Loongang*, 25th June, 3 P.M.
 Moji—Per *Fukui Maru*, 25th June, 3 P.M.
 Bangkok—Per *Haitan*, 25th June, 3 P.M.
 Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Awa Maru*, 25th June, 4 P.M.
 Chinkang and Wuhu—Per *Kiang Ping*, 25th June, 5 P.M.
 Manila—Per *Rubi*, 26th June, 10 A.M.
 Koromo, Acc. India, via Fultoria—Per *Devinha*, 26th June, 11 A.M.
 Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 26th June, 1.15 P.M.
 Kobe and Moji—Per *Fouang*, 26th June, 3 P.M.
 Swatow, Welhaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per *Chungking*, 26th June, 5 P.M.
 Swatow and Shanghai—Per *Kwongtang*, 26th June, 5 P.M.

SHANGHAI VIA SIBERIAN MAIL to Europe—Per *Chungking*, 26th June, 6 P.M.Welhaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per *Haitan*, 26th June, 3 P.M.Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Haitan*, 26th June, 1 P.M.Manila—Per *Taming*, 26th June, 3 P.M.Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Arratoon*, 26th June, 2 P.M.Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *Korea*, 29th June, 6 P.M.Samarang and Sourabaya—Per *Shantung*.Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per *Hirano Maru*, 29th June, 5 P.M.Europe, Acc. India, via Fultoria—Per *Prins Regent Lodigold*, 30th June, 11 A.M.

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